

KidsWorks Presents:
PRAYER AND THE MAGIC WISH-O-MATIC

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Cast:

JOSH: *male teen or adult*
ASHLEY: *female teen or adult*
ROBBY THE ROBOT: *male teen or adult*
DR. FRANKENFURTER: *male adult*
SUPER SIDE-KICK: *female teen or adult*
SUSANNA INDIANA: *female teen or adult*

Scene:

Children's Church, the present

Costumes:

JOSH & ASHLEY: *casual clothing*
ROBBY: *Robot costume*
DR. FRANKENFURTER: *slacks, dress shirt, bowtie, white lab coat*
SUPER SIDE-KICK: *superhero costume*
SUSANNA INDIANA: *long blonde wig, glitzy Hollywood clothes, sunglasses*

Props:

Magic Wish-O-Matic: *metal collander with colorful wires & random objects hot-glued to it; Packing box; Instruction manual*

Running time:

8 minutes

Notes:

This sketch introduces the concept of praying for our "needs" and "wants", and teaches that God always meets our needs. Topics: Prayer, God's Provision, The Lord's Prayer, Praying in the name of Jesus.

JOSH RUNS IN WITH PACKING BOX, VERY EXCITED

JOSH: **It came! It finally came!** (STARTS TO OPEN BOX) **I'm so excited! Now I can have everything I'll ever need! Like, um, wait... what kinds of things do people need?**

LET CHILDREN RESPOND

JOSH: **Okay, so we need stuff like food, clothes, a place to live... So here it is...**

(WITH GREAT CEREMONY, LIFTING WISH-O-MATIC OUT OF BOX, OPTIONAL SFX CHOIR SINGIN "AAAAHHHH" OR REVERB ON JOSH'S VOICE)

"The Magic Wish-O-Matic!" Oh, it's more beautiful than I imagined!

(PULLS INSTRUCTION BOOK FROM BOX)

So I read this instruction book... “Place Magic Wish-o-matic firmly on head. Cluck like a chicken, spin around twice, and yell ‘Zippedy doo dah!’” Well, that sounds a little weird, but it’s the only way to get what I need so... here goes...

JOSH STARTS TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS; ASHLEY ENTERS AND INTERRUPTS AS HE STARTS CLUCKING

ASHLEY: Um, Josh, what are you doing?

JOSH (STARTLED AND A LITTLE EMBARRASSED): Oh, Hi Ashley! Oh man, where was I? I guess I’ll have to start over.

ASHLEY: Sorry for interrupting, but what are you trying to do?

JOSH: I saw this great infomercial on TV for the Magic Wish-O-Matic! If I do what this book says, I can get everything I need!

ASHLEY (TO AUDIENCE): My big brother has apparently lost his mind! Didn’t we hear in church that God knows everything we need? And something about seeking God first...

JOSH: You mean I don’t need the Magic Wish-O-Matic? Gee, I spent \$19.95... but I’m getting a free Sham-wow with it!

ASHLEY: Whatever, but you’re supposed to seek God first and He’ll give you what you need. Okay?

JOSH: Okay, thanks a lot! Wait a minute, how do I “Seek God?”

ASHLEY: I don’t know, say a prayer or something.

JOSH: I don’t know how to do that! I need some answers!!!

ROBBY ENTERS

ROBBY: Did someone say they need answers?

ASHLEY: Hey, who are you?

ROBBY: I am Robby the Robot.